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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify and approve changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000900 - Puddingstone Diversion Dam Gate Modifications, City of La Verne (5), J. F. Shea Construction, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$3,645.71, and a final contract amount of \$283,330.71.

Project ID No. OSD0000006 - Traffic Signal Maintenance Project, vicinities of Industry, La Mirada, Rosewood, Brentwood, and Manhattan Beach (1, 2, 3, and 4), Metro Parking & Traffic Systems, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$5,230.13, and a final contract amount of \$63,095.13.

Project ID No. RDC0013931 - Cornell Road, vicinity of Agoura Hills (3), Sully-Miller Contracting Company, with changes in the amount of \$1,899.90, and a final contract amount of \$455,504.90.

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Project ID No. RMD4147013 - Road Division 142 - IV Slurry Seal, FY 2003-04, vicinity of East Los Angeles (1), Roy Allan Slurry Seal, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$26,792.10, and a final contract amount of \$270,104.06.

Project ID No. SMDACO0078 - Kalmia Street, et al., Sanitary Sewers, vicinity of Walnut Park (1), Mladen Grbavac Construction Company, with changes in the amount of \$90,731.13, and a final contract amount of \$1,142,441.02.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification and approval of changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Acting Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000900, OSD0000006, RDC0013931, and RMD4147013.

Also enclosed for approval are changes in work in excess of my delegated limits which are required to complete Project ID No. SMDACO0078.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in a value from a credit of \$26,792.10 to an increase in the amount of \$90,731.13, while the total values of the contracts are \$63,095.13 to \$1,142,441.02.

Ratification and approval of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with the contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Acting Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification and approval of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Acting Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office County Counsel Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000900, PUDDINGSTONE DIVERSION DAM GATE MODIFICATIONS (City of La Verne), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: J. F. Shea Construction, Inc., P.O. Box 489, Walnut, California 91788-0489

Project Description:

Repair and modification of four slide gate systems and other appurtenant work.

Change in Work:

Additional Electrical Equipment

\$3,645.71

Description of Change:

Required electrical components for each slide gate would not physically fit in the specified control compartments. The components were installed in modified compartments. It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for the additional cost of this work. The costs for these changes were based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of this change.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 19, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$242,485.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	37,200.00
Change in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	3,645.71
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>283,330.71</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. OSD0000006, TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE PROJECT (in the vicinities of Industry, La Mirada, Rosewood, Brentwood, and Manhattan Beach), Supervisorial Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4

<u>Contractor</u>: Metro Parking & Traffic Systems, Inc., 7929 Ruffner Avenue, Van Nuys, California 91406

Project Description:

Traffic signal modification.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$3,515.00)
(2)	Provide Street Lighting Poles	964.24
(3)	Relocate Traffic Signal Pole	<u>7,780.89</u>
	Total	\$ <u>5,230.13</u>

Description of Changes:

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) The contractor was reimbursed for providing street lighting poles that were to be provided by the County.
- (3) An existing traffic signal pole required relocation to satisfactorily complete the work. This work was not shown on the plans.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2 and 3 were based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Fifteen additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 3, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$57,865.00
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director	
of Public Works	5,230.13
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>63,095.13</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013931, CORNELL ROAD (in the vicinity of Agoura Hills), Supervisorial District 3

<u>Contractor</u>: Sully-Miller Contracting Company, 1100 East Orangethorpe Avenue, Suite 200, Anaheim, California 92801

Project Description:

Resurfacing and reconstruction of roadway pavement, construction of guardrail and terminal systems, and installation of striping and pavement markings.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Widen Inverted Asphalt Roadway Shoulder	\$2,634.90
(2)	Overtime Inspection	<u>(735.00</u>)
	Total	\$ <u>1,899.90</u>

Description of Changes:

- (1) Your Board previously approved a change in work to widen portions of the inverted asphalt roadway shoulder along Cornell Road to properly control runoff. The cost for this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown.
- (2) The contractor requested 14 hours of overtime inspection which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount shown.

The cost for Item 1 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 2 was stipulated in the contract specifications.

Three additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 10, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$399,634.65
Actual costs of changes in work previously	
approved by the Board	53,970.35
Changes in work to be authorized	1,899.90
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>455,504.90</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD4147013, ROAD DIVISION 142 - IV SLURRY SEAL, FY 2003-04 (in the vicinity of East Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 1

<u>Contractor</u>: Roy Allan Slurry Seal, Inc., 11922 Bloomfield Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, California 90670

Project Description:

Slurry sealing of roadway pavement.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$26,792.10)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 23, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

\$296,896.16
<u>(26,792.10</u>)

FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$270,104.06

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PROJECT ID NO. SMDACO0078 KALMIA STREET ET AL., SANITARY SEWERS, (in the vicinity of Walnut Park), Supervisorial District 1

<u>Contractor</u>: Mladen Grbavac Construction Company, P.O. Box 660219, Arcadia, California 91006

Project Description:

Construction of vitrified clay pipe mainline sewers, sewage bypass and pumping, and other appurtenant work.

Background:

The contractor completed the project on August 12, 2003, in accordance with the plans and specifications. However, the contractor contended that the plans and specifications did not accurately depict the work of the project and filed a claim for additional compensation. The contractor also contended that assessed liquidated damages in the amount of \$44,000.00 were not appropriate. On May 11, 2004, your Board approved the partial acceptance of the work of this contract pending the resolution of the claim by the contractor. The contractor has since submitted documentation justifying additional payment for the changes shown below. In addition, Public Works has agreed to waive the liquidated damages that were previously assessed. Therefore, we recommend that your Board accept the work of this contract.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Additional Cost of Extra Work	\$35,732.23
(2)	Value Engineering Saving - Concrete Gutter	15,240.00
(3)	Extended Field Office Overhead	<u>39,758.90</u>
	Total	\$ <u>90,731.13</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) Your Board previously approved changes in work for concrete removal, interfering utilities, and the relocation of a new manhole at 88th Street. The contractor has submitted additional documentation entitling him to additional payment in the amount shown.

- (2) The plans called for the removal and reconstruction of 1,595 feet of 4-foot-wide gutter. During construction, the contractor was able to protect most of the gutter in place thereby saving the cost of reconstruction. The contractor is entitled to 50 percent of the savings as provided by the value engineering portion of the specifications.
- (3) The original contract duration was 100 working days. Due to differing site conditions and several unseen changes in work, the contract work required additional time. The contractor is entitled to be compensated for additional field office overhead costs.

The cost for Item 1 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The costs for Items 2 and 3 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Forty-four additional working days were required because of these changes.

FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT:

Original contract amount	\$ 816,120.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously	
approved by the Board	235,589.89
Changes in work to be authorized	90,731.13
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FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>1,142,441.02</u>

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